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AF/E FOR AMBASSADOR CHAPIN

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SUBJECT: ARRANGEMENTS FOR AMBASSADOR CHAPIN'S JULY 11 ARRIVAL;
INFORMATION ON PRESENTATION OF CREDITIALS

1. WE HAVE COORDINATED WITH THE FOREIGN MINISTRY DEPUTY
CHIEF OF PROTOCOL ON THE ARRANGEMENTS FOR YOUR JULY 11
ARRIVAL. FOLLOWING IS THE CURRENT PLAN (SUBJECT, OF COURSE,
TO LAST MINUTE CHANGES):

-- UPON ARRIVAL OF ALITALIA FLIGHT 868 YOU WILL BE MET AT
PLAN SIDE BY A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE MOFA PROTOCOL, KAY, AND ME.

-- SOME MISSION PERSONNEL AND SPOUSES CAN BE EXPECTED TO GREET
YOU AND YOUR FAMILY IN THE AIRPORT VIP LOUNGE. NO PRESS WILL
BE PRESENT AND THERE WILL BE NO OCCASION FOR AN ARRIVAL
STATEMENT.

-- YOU ALONE WILL BE TAKEN IN AN ETHIOPIAN GOVERNMENT CAR
TO YOUR RESIDENCE, ACCOMPANIED BY THE REPRESENTATIVE FROM
PROTOCOL.

-- YOUR FAMILY WILL FOLLOW IMMEDIATELY IN COM CAR, ACCOMPANIED
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BY KAY AND ME.

-- BAGGAGE AND PASSPORTS WILL BE HANDLED BY PROTOCOL ASSISTED
BY EMBASSY STAFF AND WILL BE DELIVERED TO THE RESIDENCE
AS EXPEDITIOUSLY AS POSSIBLE.

2. THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED TO US BY MOFA

PROTOCOL CONCERNING THE STEPS TO THE PRESENTATION OF
CREDENTIALS CEREMONY:

-- IT IS THE "ARDENT WISH" OF PROTOCOL NOT TO HAVE A LONG
DELAY BETWEEN YOUR ARRIVAL AND THE PRESENTATION OF CREDENTIALS.
IT LOOKS AS IF YOU MAY BE ONE OF AT LEAST FIVE AMBASSADORS-
DESIGNATE PRESENTING CREDENTIALS THE SAME DAY. THE OTHERS
ARE FROM FRANCE, IVORY COAST, TURKEY, AND SOUTH KOREA.
ON A "BEST GUESS" BASIS, PROTOCOL THOUGHT YOU MIGHT HAVE TO
WAIT FOR 2 WEEKS. (FYI: FRENCH HAVE JUST LEARNED FROM PROTOCOL
THAT IT LOOKS AS IF AMBASSADOR WILL NOT BE ABLE TO PRESENT
CREDENTIALS BEFORE BASTILLE DAY AS REQUESTED. AFTER ALMOST
A MONTH HERE HE HAS NOT EVEN GOT APPOINTMENT WITH FOREIGN
MINISTER).

-- UPON YOUR ARRIVAL WE WILL SEEK AN APPOINTMENT THROUGH
PROTOCOL FOR YOU TO CALL ON THE FOREIGN MINISTER (OR ACTING
FOREIGN MINISTER). WHEN ARRANGED YOU WILL BE EXPECTED TO GIVE
THE FOREIGN MINISTER: (A) YOUR CREDENTIALS; (B) THE LETTER OF
RECALL OF AMBASSADOR HUMMEL; AND (C) A COPY OF YOUR SPEECH
TO THE HEAD OF STATE, NOT TO EXCEED 2 TO 3 PAGES (THIS SPEECH
IS NOT PRONOUNCED AT THE PRESENTATION CEREMONY).

-- AFTER BEING RECEIVED BY THE FOREIGN MINISTER, PROTOCOL
WILL GIVE YOU A FULL BRIEFING ON THE PRESENTATION CEREMONY.
A SEPARATE APPOINTMENT MAY BE NECESSARY.
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-- FOR THE PRESENTATION CEREMONY ITSELF, YOU WILL BE PROVIDED
TRANSPORTATION BY THE ETHIOPIAN GOVERNMENT AND PROBABLY ONLY
THE CHARGE' D'AFFAIRES MAY ACCOMPANY YOU.

3. EVERYBODY IS LOOKING FORWARD TO ARRIVAL OF CHAPIN FAMILY -
A MAIN TOPIC AT WELL ATTENDED INDEPENDENCE DAY RECEPTION.
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